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The first Article.

That there bee a speedy commission granted by the Parliament of *Paris*, to make an exact enquiry and search of all those, who any manner of way had participation or knowledge of that detestable and exorbitant murther and parricide of that decealed King of thrice glorious memorie: And that his Maiestie doth enioine all Bishops of his Realme to publish and diuulge the decree of the Councell of *Constance* against all such as haue dared to attempt any thing against the sacred persons of Kings: as also that of *Sorbone* for the renuing of the same decree.

2

That the first article of the written

booke for the Estate of *France* bee agreed vnto and ratified, and all things necessary for the obseruation and obseruations of the same, put in practise and speedie execution. These first and second articles are agreed vpon according to the confirmation of the Kings pleasure, to all such as are authorized to put the same in execution.

3 That all surceances of the execution of the arrests and charges of the Parliament of Paris interposed for the security of the sacred person of the King, depending notwithstanding, and appertaining to the authoritie and high soueraignty of the crowne, bee solemnly renewed: and all declarations, which haue beene made and sent out of the Realme to the preiudice of the same, be abrogated and disanulled, as declared contrarie to the lawes fundamentall of Estate. *Agreed vnto.*

4 That

4 That the authority of the French Church be obserued, and no allowance or permission, granted, for any encroachment vpon the rights, franchefes, and liberties of same. *Agreed vnto.*

5 That that which was made by the Clergy, for the publication of the Counsell of *Trent* without the authority of the King, be repaired and amended, and all such things formerly done in the estate be reformed. *Agreed vnto.*

6 That the Edicts of pacification, articles signed, breifes and declarations, answers and writings, agreements & grants made since, and in consequence for the interpretation of the same, as well by the King deceased, as by his Maiesty now raigning, in fauour of the Religion pretended Reformed, be wholly obserued

and entertained, and that it bee presently so prouided with all fauor by them in all writings and manuscripts, before they be presented to his Maiestie at *Poics* and *Porchart*.

Agreed vnto.

7 That all those which are, were, or shall be priuiledged, delegated, established and appointed in any offices, estates, charges, preeminences, honours and dignities be continued, authorized and maintained in the same. Those which are deprived, discharged & dispossessed without anie lawfull accusation, or contradiction for some offence, disability or abuse in misgouernment, without any formality of Law, or obseruations of the forme of Iustice, or without recompence by reciprocall allowance, or agreement by writing, resignation or remission, but by a simple wilfulnesse, or powerfull absolution, shall bee reestablished, restored, remitted and conserued in their charges, estates, honors, offices and dignities, and the one and the

other maintained and authorized faithfully and freely, with full liberty and absolution to exercise the severall functions of their sayd charges, together with the full enioying of all other prerogatiues, preeminences, franchises, liberties, rewards, pensions, estates, appointments, rights, profits and emoluments: all which to be conformable to their letters of prouision or commission, the edicts, declarations, arrests and directions made in Parliament, without which to their preiudice the one the other might interpose, dispose and order that, which belongs and depends to and vpon their offices and functions, except in the case of offending, abuse or misdemeanour, verified by forme of Law, and ordinary proceedings of Iustice. *Agreed vnto.*

8

To remoue and withdraw the annuall rights, and make accestation of the saleable offices, as well of the crowne, as the Kings house, of military charges, of gouernments

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discharge the poore people for certaine yeers of the paiment of their taxes & tallages in the prouinces, which the souldiers during these present stirs & broiles, had exacted vpon them. *Agreed vnto.*

10

To entertaine and admit of the ancient alliances, tractates and agreements made and renewed by the deceased King with forraigne Princes, Potentates and Commonwealths. *Agreed vnto.*

11

That it may please the King not to withdraw his hand, but to imploy his forces and authority for the full execution of the agreement betweene the King of *Spaine* & Duke of *Sauoy*, according to the promise made by his Maiestie to his Ambassadour. *Agreed vnto.*

12

And forasmuch as the profit continuation and entertainment of the alliance

and treaties ratified long since, and renewed by the deceased King, concerning the confederacy with the *Swisses* is worthy of renouation, and a matter of great importance to the seruice of his Maiestie.

That it be prouided, that the complaints of the *Cantons* may cease by reason of the corrupt and disorderly distribution of the mony amongst them, especially of those of *Berne*, and their vninterrupted continuation, and obseruation of that which is befitting and conuenient to the renewing and ratification of the same alliances.

11

To re-establish and renew the protestation of the principalities of *Sedan* and *Iames* to the same effect for the admitting and bringing in security, both requisite and necessarie.

Agreed vnto.

14

That the arrest granted by the Court of Parliament at *Burdeux* in the month of *August* 1614 against my Lord the Prince

be quite put out of the registers and records of the said Court, *Agreed vnto.*

15

That the declaration made at *Poictiers*, vnder the name of the King, in the month of *September* last sent & published abroad by the whole Parliament, be reuoked and disanulled, as calumnious and full of vntruthes made without example, and against the lawes and formes of the kingdome obserued in all times, and that it be quite put out of the registers and records of the said Parliament, and all other iurisdictions, together with all arrests belonging to the same. *Agreed vnto.*

16

That there be particular enformation and publication made of all the vntruths and suppositions of the arrest of the 18. of *September*, published vnder the name of the Parliament of *Paris*, contrarie to the intention of the sayd Court, & so to proceede against the authors of the sayd ca-

lumniation and lies, following the forme of Iuſtice, as in ſuch caſes is accuſtomed.

Agreed vnto.

17

That the indignity and offence committed by the Biſhop and inhabitants of the town of *Poictiers* againſt our Lord the Prince of *Conde* the 27. of *Iune* 1614. bee repaired, & ſatisfaction made according to the dignity of his eſtate, and is agreable to his quality. *Agreed vnto.*

18

That the Inhabitants of the towne of *Poictiers*, as well *Eccleſiaſtique* as others: of what quality and condition ſoeuer, who by reaſon of the diſorders and hurly-burleyes chancing in the ſame, the fore-ſayd 27. of *Iune*, were enforced afterwards to retire themſelues, ſhall bee preſently admitted againe, and eſtabliſhed in their ſeuerall charges, dignities, benefices and offices, as well militarie as iudicious, and whether concerning ciuill adminiſtration

for matters of reuenew, and that all letters, acts, proceedings & informations made by any Commissarie or Commissioner, which either did or might in any manner touch or scandalize the honour of my Lord the *Prince*; bee abrogated and disanulled, and esteemed of no validity: yea, put out, and quite razed from the records, as well iudicious and prefideall, as the towne-house, and all other places, and that all sufficient securitie and sureties bee giuen to the sayd Inhabitants for their establishment. *Agreed vnto.*

By the Kings appointment, and the Masters his Deputies, &c.

cording to his Maiesties com-mandement in the conference of Loudun.

HIS Maiestie hauing orderly pursued that which was handled in the conference holde in the towne of Loudun, by his Deputies and high Commissioner with my Lord the Prince of Conde, and fully aduised and resolued on conuenient meanes for the pacification of the troubles of his Realme, expecting that the Edict made and ratified by his appoyntment, should be presented, enregistred and published in all Courts Soueraigne and of supreame authority to bee kept and obserued: doth will and ordaine both for this present and euer heereafter, that all his subects of what quality and condition soeuer, doe orderly liue one with another in good peace, vnion and agreement. That all rumours and actions of hostility, leuies and impositions of money, payments and contributions, amercements and escheates, (otherwise then such as are to be leuied by his Maiesties officers and commissaries ordinarie, accor-

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ding to the vsuall rates) and all fortified places, castels, and other militarie actions shall now cease, and bee quite abolished: that all prisoners confined for the payment of any contributions shal be releas'ed, and set at liberte: That presently the publication of these presents with all promises & obligations for the ratificatiō of the same, shal be renewed and reuiued, and all the men of armes, as well troopes of horse, as companies of foot, as soone as euer they haue licence or commandements to depart, shall retire and leaue the field in arie sort, vpon paine that whosoeuer shall transgresse the same, shall be taken and chasticed as refractarie, disobedient, and perturbers of the Common-wealth: giuing order notwithstanding, that the souldiers thus licensed to depart, shall passe and repasse with all security and purueiance for their retiring: commanding all Gouernours, Lieutenant-Generals of Prouinces, Bailiffes, Stewards, Prouosts, Iudges, or their Lieutenants, Vnder-Bailiffes Deputy-Stewards, Prouost-Marshals & other Iusticers & Officers to whom it doth or shal any waie appertain, to publish this present ordinance & decree in all places & quarters accustomable and befitting; to looke to the

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due execution of the premisses, and by all possible and reasonable meanes to correct and punish such as dare presume to transgresse our will and pleasure in the same. Giuen at Loudun the 13. of May 1616.

The 14. of May this was published with sound of trumpet, in all places and quarters of *Loudun*, by mee *Iohn Cousin*, Cõmissary for the King, vnder the charge of *Monsieur* the cheife Iudge of the Kings house-hold.

Aduanced, published and signed by the Masters, the Kings Seruants, and my Lord the Prince of *Conde*, with the other Princes and Lords assistant, the 13. of May in the towne of *Loudun*.

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The declaration of the Lord Candidate, Prince of Buch, eldest sonne to the Duke Espernon, made in the presence of the reformed Church of Alkes *the 10. of January*, 1616.

WEe HENRY of Foix, Lord CANDALE, Prince of BUCH, Duke and Peere of France, Gouernour of *Santoigne*, *Angumois*, high and low *Limosin*, first Gentleman of the Kings Chamber, acknowledging with all honour and reuerence the great blessing and fauour of Almighty God, in that in hath pleased his diuine Maiesty to incite vs to all holy and religious acti-

ons with a pious and sincere affection, thereby to know his truth, and that in the end we may be confirmed, taught and established: We declare & protest before the throne of his Maiestie, that he only and first of all inspired vs with this good motion, and that in no wise we do the same for any priuat consideration or worldly respect: but rather wee may assure our selues hereby to be hindred in all preferments of State, desiring also to make publike manifestation, that we esteeme of nothing so much, especially we, whom it hath pleased God to call vnto high and eminent places, as the confession of our faith, and ado-

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ration of his holy name in the same integritie and purity, as he requireth, which wee acknowledge to be in the Reformed Churches of *France*, vnto whose profession wee ioyne our selues wholy with all our soule, heart, and endeauors: And we protest freely, that we haue forsaken and renounced, and do for euer forsake, renounce, and abandon the abuses, falsities, inuentions, Idolatries, and blasphemies of Popery, and more expresly wee renounce all the abominations of the Masse, and the principall patron and maintayner of the same, as one, who gouerneth & raigneth with sacriledge, pride, ambition, coue-

touſnes, and tyrannie ouer the conſciences of men: with proteſtation, declaration, and hopefull confidence, to liue and dye in the ſelfe-ſame confeſsion of faith with the foreſaid reformed Churches of *France*: beleeuing that all contained and ratified therein agreeth to the written word of God, and is fundamentally grounded thereon. In like manner we promiſe, and combine our ſelues with all ſubmiſsion and obedience to depend vpon the order and diſcipline of the ſaid Churches, as any member thereof ſhall do. All which we do meane to ratifie, confirme and maintaine, without any breach of our loyaltie & humble

ble ſeruice, which we owe vnto the Kings Maieſtie our Soueraigne Lord and Maſter, and wherein we proſtrate our ſelues to all good offices, and obedient ſeruices whatſoeuer: herein following both the doctrine of the Reformed Churches, and alſo the good example of their ſinceritie, and inviolable fidelitie toward their King, which promiſe and declaration wee haue made and ſigned with our hand, ready alſo to ſeale the ſame with our blood, whenſoeuer it ſhall pleaſe the Lord. Ratified & confirmed at the *Synode* of the *Prouince* of *Seuenes*, that afterward it may be publiſhed and concluded in the preſence of the whole

whole Church, to the strengthening & edification of the faithfull, & discouragement of such, as presume on the contrary: as also to be diuulged, and published at the generall assembly of all the Churches of *France*, holden presently at *Nismes*, where we make attestation, and sweare and subscribe to the *Union* of the said Churches vnder the protection of the Kings Maiestie, and to depend vpon the deliberation of the aforesaid Assembly; offering our liues, meanes and all possible helps for the preseruation of the said Churches, the keeping and ratifying the Edicts of peace, the surety and corroboration of

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this Eſtate; and true Allegeance and ſeruice of his *Maieſtie.*

Concluded and exemplified at Alles *in the Prouinciall Synode the* 10. *of Ianuary being Sonday. Anno Domini* 1616.

Signed HENRY de FOIX.

Receiued by Mr: *Codur* at the afternoone Sermon.

AT the ſame inſtant there were receiued and vnited to the number of the faithfull in the houſe of the Lord; Mr: *de magnas* Coſin to the foreſaid Duke; *Le Sr: de Recourt* his Eſquire: *Le Sr: Tuffany* ſonne to the Preſident of Montthellier: *Le Sr: de la Fage* ſteward to the ſaid Duke: *Le Sr: de Verdun* one of the Kings *Quiries*: and *Le Sr: de Maretts* Page of the Kings Chamber.

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